

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT  
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
Herdin et al.

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No. TRG-322

Title: Combustion Engine

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination of the captioned application and prior to calculation of the fees, please preliminarily amend the attached application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.115 as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.